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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98,
applicant hereby makes the following documents of record in
the above identified application:*

U.S. Patents

**6,295,989	10/2001	Connors, III
**6,228,052	05/2001	Pohndorf
**6,180,059	01/2001	Divino, Jr. et al.
**6,165,199	12/2000	Barbut
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**6,042,559	03/2000	Dobak, III
**6,029,671	02/2000	Stevens et al.
**6,027,476	02/2000	Sterman et al.
**6,013,085	01/2000	Howard
**5,997,557	12/1999	Barbut et al.

* Applicant reserves the right to challenge the status
of any of the cited documents as prior art.

5,925,016	07/20/99	Chornenky et al.
**5,919,163	06/1999	Stevens et al.
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**5,833,650	11/1998	Imran
**5,794,629	08/1998	Frazee
**5,766,151	06/1998	Valley et al.
**5,669,927	09/1997	Boebel et al.
**5,584,803	12/1996	Stevens et al.
**5,549,626	08/1996	Miller et al.
**5,102,415	04/1992	Guenther et al.
**5,011,488	04/1991	Ginsburg
**4,921,478	05/1990	Solano et al.
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**4,781,681	11/1988	Sharrow et al.
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Foreign Patents

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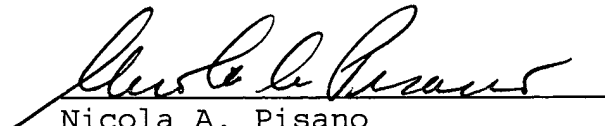
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (d), copies of the above-cited documents that are identified with double asterisks, all of which were made of record in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/418,727, from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120, are not submitted herewith.

Copies of the remaining aforementioned documents not identified with double asterisks are enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent which may issue on this application. Applicant requests that a copy of Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate herewith), as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

An early and favorable action is respectfully
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